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PER QUARTER

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT at
the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the
daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 1 month, 3 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities,
and every description of BANKING and
EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 10th January, 1890.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £3,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £580,000

LONDON: Head Office, 40, Threadneedle Street,
West End Office, 25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, PERSIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,
Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,
Issues LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and
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on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent. per Annum
6 " 4 " "

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS
2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE
SOCIETY,

H. A. HERBERT,
Manager,
HONGKONG BRANCH.

RULES
OF THE
HONGKONG SAVINGS
BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above BANK
will be conducted by the HONGKONG
AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION, on their premises in
Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-
DAYS, 10 to 1; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.
2.—SUMS LESS THAN \$1, or MORE THAN
\$250 at one time will not be received. No
Deposit may deposit more than \$2,500
in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK,
having \$100, or more, at their credit may at
their option transfer the same to the HONG-
KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12
months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3 1/2 % per
annum will be allowed to Depositors on
their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis
with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented
with each payment or withdrawal.
Depositors must not make any entries them-
selves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send
them to be written up at least twice a year,
about the beginning of January and
beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business
of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG
SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be
forwards free by the various British Post
Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made demand,
but the personal attendance of the
Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and
the production of his PASS-BOOK, are
necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1890.

JUST RECEIVED.

SWEET CORN and LAWN GRASS
SEED.

For sowing during the Month of February.
In Packets—Price 50 Cents Each.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1890.

THE DARVEL BAY TRADING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SECOND
CALL of Seven Dollars per Share in the
above Company is due on the 15th day of
March next, and is payable at the Chartered
Bank of India, Australia, and China.

INTEREST at the rate of Twelve per cent.
per annum will be charged on all Calls unpaid
on the due date.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1890.

Intimations

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HONGKONG RACES

BUCKSKIN RIDING SADDLES with
furniture 3 d. complete.
Nichols' best Buckskin Racing Saddles.
Single and Double Bridles and Bits.
Horse Brushes & Stable Requisites of all kinds.
Riding Brushes, Racing Colours, Covert Coats.
Race Scarves, Gloves, Collars, Shirts, &c., &c.
Tall White Hats, Silk Hats, New Felt Hats.
Riding Boots, Jockey Boots, Racing Boot Tops.
FOR SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1890.

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KELLY & WALSH, LTD.
PRACTICAL AND USEFUL HAND BOOKS.

WHIST, by Dr. W. Pole, 40 cts.
Billiards, by General Mayson, 40 cts.
Rowing & Sculling, by W. H. Woodgate, 40 cts.
Fencing, by H. A. Colmore Dunn, 40 cts.
Draughts & Backgammon, by Berkeley, 40 cts.
Book of Ready-made Speeches, 40 cts.
Complete Letter Writer, 40 cts.
Young Ladies' Guide to the Work Table, 60 cts.
Gossips' Chess Players' Text Book, 75 cts.
Sailing, by E. F. Knight, 75 cts.
P. & O. Pocket Guide for Homeward-bound
Passengers, 75 cts.
Book of Photography, 40 cts.
Standards and Flags of all Nations, 40 cts.
Bryan's Cricketers' Guide, 25 cts.
Rules of Quoits Playing, 15 cts.
Rules of Amateur Boxing Association, 15 cts.
Standard Opera Glasses—detailed plots of 90
Operas, 75 cts.
Beale's Calisthenics and Light Gymnastics for
Young Folks, 31 cts.
Art of Training Animals, 75 cts.
Burke's Heroic Recitations, 40 cts.
Hossfield's English & French Correspondent, 60 cts.
Contanzeau's Pocket French Dictionary, 60 cts.

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED

NEW Fancy Cabinet Photo Frames.
Portable Music Cases.

Travelling Stationery Cases.
New designs in Inkstands.

Hazell's Cyclopedias, 1890.

Whitaker's Almanack, "

Almanack de Gotha, "

New Work on Artillery, by a German Prince.

Queen's Regulations & Admiralty Instructions.

New Tennis Bats.
Porcelain Plates.
Sweet Caporal Cigarettes.
Brown Russia Shoes.
Patent Leather Shoes.
Kid Shoes.
New French Engravings.
New Framed Pictures.
Card Boxes.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL

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CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.

WINE MERCHANTS.

SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ALE & STOUT MERCHANTS.

5, PEDDER'S STREET.

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ROBERT LANG & CO.,
TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

NEW GOODS.
Ulster & Inverness CAPEs.
Ladies' HABITS.
Chesterfield & Covert COATS.
Cheviot & Saxony SUITINGS.
STYLISH TROUSERINGS.
RACING COLORS.
RIDING BREECHES.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1890.

BOOTS AND SHOES.
" JACKETS.
" ULTERS.
Gent's DRESS SHIRTS.
UNDERCLOTHING.
Travelling RUGS & MAUDS.
GLADSTONE BAGS.
PORTMANTEAUS, &c., &c.
Single & Double TERAI HATS

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W. POWELL & CO.

EX S.S. "GLENFINLAS".

FIRST DELIVERIES.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S WHITE STRAW HATS:

These goods have been manufactured for us by special arrangement on the earliest
Spring models.

Victoria Exchange,
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1890.

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W. POWELL & CO.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Ordinary General MEETING of

the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
Hongkong Hot. I, on SATURDAY, the 22nd
instant, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the General Manager and State-
ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1889,
declaring a dividend, and Electing an Auditor.

GEO. FENWICK,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1890.

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THE HONGKONG MARINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SECOND
CALL of One Dollar per Share in the
above Company is due on the 15th day of
March next, and is payable at the Chartered
Bank of India, Australia, and China.

INTEREST at the rate of Twelve per cent.
per annum will be charged on all Calls unpaid
on the due date.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

J. A. BARRETO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1890.

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Insurances.

THE STANDARD

A SCOTTISH LIFE OFFICE of 63 years
standing, and one of the wealthiest
of the PROVIDENT INSTITUTIONS of the
UNITED KINGDOM.

WHEN it is remembered that a Life
Assurance Contract may not fall to
be fulfilled for a quarter or even half a century
after being entered into, it will be readily
understood how important it is to the Policy-
holder that the past record as well as the
present management of the Office should be of
the highest possible character. The Standard
has a long record of past good services to refer
to; its Funds, annually increasing, amount to
£6,000,000; and all modern features consistent
with safety have been adopted.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

810-5] STEAMER.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY
LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.

" OANFA."

W. S. THOMSON, Commander, will be despatched
for the above Port, on or about the 15th inst.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1890.

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AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAMER.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
BOMBAY, ADEEN, HOODIEAH, MASSAU,

JEDDAH, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI,

TRISTEZA, and VENICE, (taking Cargo at

through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN

GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, and
ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship.

" POSEIDON"

will be despatched as above, on the 16th inst.

Cargo will not be received on board after 5

P.M. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1890.

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" SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KORE, and YOKOHAMA,
VIA INLAND SEA.

THE Steamship.

Notices.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
L I M I T E D ,
C H E M I S T S .

S E L E C T M E D I C I N A L P R E P A R A T I O N S .
T O N I C S , &c.

C H E M I C A L F O O D , or Syrup of the
P h o s p h a t e o f I r o n , Lime, Potash and
Soda.

P r e p a r e d i n s t r i c t a c o r d s w i t h t h e f o r m u l a s
o f t h e E d w a r d P a r t i c h o f P h i l a d e l p h i a . — A n e x c e l l e n t T o n i c f o r l a d e s a n d c h i l d r e n .

P e r b o t t l e , 40 C e n t s a n d \$1.25 .

D r . E a s t o n ' s S y r u p o f t h e P h o s p h a t e o f I r o n ,
Quinine, and S y n c h n i a .

A p r o m p t a n d p o w e r f u l T o n i c , v e y b e n e f i c i a l
i n a l l c a s e s o f d e b i l i t y , w h e r e t h e r e i s s u s c e p t i b i l i t y t o s e v e r . A c e r t a i n s p e c i f i c i n c a s e s o f
e x h u a t i o n a n d w a n t o f n e r v i n g p o w e r , a r i s i n g
f r o m o v e r m e n t a c t i o n a n d t h e d e p r e s s i n g
i n f l u e n c e o f t h e c l i m a t e .

P e r b o t t l e , 40 C e n t s a n d \$1.25 .

L o r n e ' s Liver Tonic or Compound Concentrated Chireta Mixture.

T h i s m i x t u r e i s p r e p a r e d f r o m t h e r e c i p e o f a
c e l e b r a t e d I n d i a n p h a r a c y . I t i s w i d e l y u s e d
t h r o u g h o u t I n d i a a n d B u r m a , a s t h e m o s t s u c c e s s f u l m e d i c i n e i n t h o s e c a s e s o f l i v e r , a n d
k i n d y d e r a n g e m e n t , b r o u g h t o n b y t h e e v i l
e f f e c t s o f m a l a r i a , o r t o o l g o d i n e s s i n a
t r o p i c a l c l i m a t e .

I t i s a p r o m p t T o n i c t o t h e d i g e s t i v e o r g a n s ,
a n d g r a d u a l l y r e m o v e s t h e m o s t c o m p l i c a t e d
f o r m s o f i n d i g e s t i o n . P e r b o t t l e , \$1.50 .



B Y A P P O I N T M E N T .

A . S . W A T S O N & C O . , L D .

E S T A B L I S H E D A D . 1841 .

M A N U F A C T U R E R S O F A E R A T E D
W A T E R S .

O U R A E R A T E D W A T E R M A N U F A C T O R Y
i s r e l a t e d w i t h t h e b e s t M a c h i n e r y , e m b r o d e y i n g,
a n d a l l t h e l a t e s t i m p r o v e m e n t s i n t h e t r a d e .

T h e g r e a t e s t a t t e n t i o n h a s b e e n p a i d t o a p p l i c a n c e s f o r e n s u r i n g t h e W a t e r - s u p p l y , t o
s e c u r e w h i c h w e h a v e a d d e d a C o n d e n s e r c a p a b l e
o f s u p p l y i n g w i t h 3,000 g a l l o n s o f d i s t i l l e d
w a t e r a d a y , a n d a r e n o w i n a p o s i t i o n t o c o m p e t e .
I n q u a l i t y w i t h t h e b e s t E n g l i s h M a k e r s . O u r
S w e t W a t e r s c a n n o t b e s u p p a s e d a n y w h e r e .

T h e p a r e s t i n g i n g r e d i e n t s o n l y a r e u s e d , a n d t h e
t u r n e s t c a r e a n d c l e a r n e s s a r e e x e r c i s e d i n t h e
m a n u f a c t u r e t h r o u g h o u t .

L A R G E B O M B A Y

" S O D A S "

R E S . — We c o n t i n u e t o s u p p l y l a r g e b o t t l e s a s
h e r e b e f o r e , f r e e o f E x t r a C h a r g e , t o t h o s e o f
o u r C u s t o m e r s w h o p r e f e r t o h a v e t h e m t o t h e
o r d i n a r y s i z e .

C O A S T P O R T O R D E R S .

W h e n e v e r p r a c t i c a b l e , a r e d i s p a t c h e d b y f i r s t
s t e m p e r , l e a v i n g a f t e r r e c e i p t o f o r d e r .

F o r C O A S T P O R T S . W a t e r s a r e p a c k e d a n d
p l a c e d o n h o r n b r i p h i t a t H o n g k o n g p r i c e s , a n d
t h e f u l l a m o u n t a l l o w e d f o r p a c k a g e s a n d E m p l i e s
w h i c h r e p o r t e d i n p r i n t o r d e r .

C o u n t e r i p o r t O r d e r B o o k s s u p p l i e d o n a p p l i c a t i o n .

O u r R e g i s t e r e d T e l e g r a p h i c A d d r e s s i s ,
" D I S P E N S A R Y , H O N G K O N G , " a n d a l l s i g n e d m e s s a g e s a d d r e s s e d : t h u s
w i l l r e c e i v e p r o p r i a t o r y a t t e n t i o n .

T h e f o l l o w i n g i s a L i s t o f W a t e r s a l w a y s
a v a i l a b l e r e a d y i n S i n c h :—

P U R E A E R A T E D W A T E R S .

S O D A W A T E R .

L E M O N A I D E .

P O T A S H W A T E R .

S E L T Z E R W A T E R .

L I T H I A W A T E R .

S A R S A P A R I L L A W A T E R .

T O N I C W A T E R .

G I N G E R A L E .

G I N G E R A D E .

N o C r e d i t g i v e n f o r b o t t l e s t h a t l o o k d i r t y ,
o r g r e a s y , o r t h a t a p p e a r t t o h a v e b e e n u s e d
f o r a n y o t h e r p u r p o s e t h a t t h a t o f C o n t a i n i n g
A e r a t e d W a t e r , a s s u c h b o t t l e s a r e n e v e r u s e d
a g a i n b y u s .

A . S . W A T S O N & C O . , L I M I T E D ,
H o n g k o n g , C h i n a , a n d M a n i l a .

N O T I C E S T O C O R R E S P O N D E N T S .

I t i s r e q u i r e d t h a t a l l c o m m u n i c a t i o n s r e l a t i n g t o S u b s c r i p t i o n s ,
A d v e r t i s e m e n t s , &c., b e d i r e c t e d t o t h e " M a n a g e r , H o n g k o n g
T e l e g r a p h " a n d n o t t o t h e P a l t e r .

I t e n t s o n E d i t o r i a l m a t t e r s t o b e s e n t t o " T h e E d i t o r " a n d
n o t t o i n d i v i d u a l m e m b e r s o f t h e a d v e r t i s e m e n t .

C o m m u n i c a t i o n s r e l a t i n g t o t h e l i b e l m u s t b e a c c o m p a n i e d
b y a n a p p eal a n d a d d r e s s e s o f t h e w r i t e r s , n o t n e c e s s a r i l y
f o r t h e c o u r t ; b u t a c c e s s i o n t o t h e g o o d l i f t .

W h i l e t h e c o l u m n o f t h e " H o n g k o n g T e l e g r a p h " w i l l a lways
b e o p e n f o r t h e f a l s i d e , b y c o r r e s p o n d e n t s t h a t a l l q u e s t i o n s a f f e c t i n g
p u b l i c i t y , i t m u s t b e d i s t i n c t l y u n d e r s t o o d t h a t t h e
E d i t o r d o e s n o t i n a y w a y h a d h i m s e l f r e s p o n s i b l e
f o r o p i n i o n s t h a t a r e t h u s e x p r e s s e d .

T O A D V E R T I S E R S .

A d v e r t i s e r s a r e r e q u i r e d t o f o r w a r d a l l n o t i c e s i n t e n d e d
f o r i n s e c t i o n i n t h a t d a y n o t l a t e r t h a n T h r e e C l o c k o c l o c k
a s t o n s u c h t h a t t h e y a r e n o t o r d e r e d f o r a
p a r t i c u l a r b e i n g c o n s i d e r e d a n d u n c o n s i d e r e d .

T h e " H o n g k o n g T e l e g r a p h " h a s t h e l a r g e s t c i r c u l a t i o n o f a n y
E n g l i s h n e w s p a p e r p u b l i s h e d i n t h e I n d i a , a n d i s t h e r e f o r e t h e
b e s t m e d i u m f o r A d v e r t i s e r s . T e r m s c a n b e l e a r n e d o n a p p l i c a t i o n .

T h e " H o n g k o n g T e l e g r a p h " ' s n u m b e r a t t h e T e l e p h o n e C e n t r a l
L u n c h a u s e s i s N o . 1 .

T O S U B S C R I B E R S .

S u b s c r i b e r s t o t h e " H o n g k o n g T e l e g r a p h " a r e r e s p o n s i b l y
r e s p o n s i b l e t o t a l l S u b s c r i p t i o n s p a y a b l e i n a d v a n c e .

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H O N G K O N G , F R I D A Y , F E B R U A R Y 14, 1890.

T E L E G R A M S .

T H E O P E N I N G O F P A R L I A M E N T .

L O N D O N , F e b r u a r y 14th .

T h e Q u e e n ' s s p e c h u r e r e h a r s e s t h e d i s p u t e
w i t h P o r t u g a l ; a n n o u n c e s t h e m e a s u r e s p r o j e c t e d
f o r t h e L a n d P u r c h a s e s c h e m e , a n d f o r l o c a l s e l f g o v e r n m e n t i n S c o t l a n d . T h e P r e m i e r
s t a t e s t h a t t h e p r o s p e c t s o f r a t i f y i n g t h e S u g a r
C o n v e n t i o n w e r e l e s s f a v o r a b l e .

L O C A L A N D G E N E R A L .

T H E P . M . S . S . C o . ' s s t e a m e r " C i t y o f P i k i n g ,"
w i t h m a i l s , &c., f r o m S a n F r a n c i s c o , t o t h e 21st
d i t t o , h a s a r r i v e d a t Y o k o h a m a , a n d w i l l l e a v e
f o r t h i s p o r t t o-m o r r o w .

C A R D I N A L B o n a p a r t e , o n e o f t h e o l d e s t m e m b e r s
o f t h e S a c r e d C o l l e g e , i s a n e p h e w o f t h e g r e a t
E m p e r o r . I t w a s a t o n e t i m e t h o u g h t t h a t h e
m i g h t b e e l e c t e d t o t h e P a p a c y .

A n E m e r g e n c y m e e t i n g o f Z e l a n d L o d g e , N o .
25, E . C . , w i l l b e h e l d i n F r e e m a s o n s ' H a l l ,
Z e l a n d S t r e e t , t h i s e v e n i n g , a t 8.30 f o r 9 o ' c l o c k .
P r e c i s e l y . V i s i t i n g b r e t h r a n a r e c o r d i n a l y i n v i t e d .

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BRUSSELS, January 27th.

The sitting of the Anti-Slavery Conference were resumed to-day.

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The *Independent* *Beleg* states that the British delegates at the Anti-Slavery Conference will submit fresh proposals in reference to the importation of slaves into Africa, and that if France accepts them Great Britain will abandon her claim to the right of search.

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The trooship *Malabar* has arrived at Portsmouth. She has a large hole in her side on the water line, and was struck three times by the French steamer she collided with.

In an article in *Harper's Magazine*, Lord Wotsey condemns the present uniforms of our army, and likens our generals in uniform to dressed monkeys. He urges the adoption of campaign dress as a regular uniform, and recom-

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At a meeting held at the Mansion House, the Lord Mayor presiding, at which there was a large attendance of eminent naval and military officers, a Committee was formed to invite funds for a memorial to the late Lord Napier of Magdala.

ROMA, January 28th.

The Italian General has assured the notables at Adowat that the occupation of the town by Italian troops has only been undertaken as a temporary measure for the benefit of the people.

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THE CRICKET DINNER.

In the absence of invitations to the local representatives of the Press to any of the social functions organised for the benefit of the visitors from the Straits Settlements we have to acknowledge our indebtedness to our colleagues fifteen hundred miles away for a report of what took place within a quarter of a mile of his office the Cricket Dinner. The *Singapore Free Press* says—

Covers were laid for 180 and 148 actually attended the dinner. The room was beautifully decorated and brilliantly lighted. Flags and festoons of our colours and a telegraph board showing 21/20, the date of our first match, were conspicuous, while trophies of bats and balls, oars, and billiard cues were cleverly arranged about the room. At each end of the hall was one large table and at convenient distances from them were 3 similarly placed tables connected by small tables.

After the usual loyal toast the President (Capt. Deane) proposed the health of the Governor in a short and happy speech, to which

His Excellency replied by stating that he had attended the dinner, contrary to the orders of his doctor, to add his quota to the welcome accorded to the Singapore visitors, whom he could now call his Singapore friends. It was only a body of cricketers who would have travelled this part of the world 3,000 miles to play a friendly match, and though he wished they could have had better weather and better luck it must be remembered that this was a case of cocks fighting on their own—ahem!—and that to their familiarity with their ground the home team to some extent owed their victory; that when the match came to be fought out again the Singapore men fighting on their own—ahem!—would show their superiority in that game which was so dear to all Englishmen. He hoped that his Singapore friends had had a good time. It was his earnest desire that it should be so and he earnestly desired that they would renew it even at the cost of another defeat. He thanked them for bringing with them their better halves who had added so much to the agreeableness of the visit and in the event of their coming again he promised them a cordial welcome in which he hoped to take a more prominent part than his health had permitted him to take on this occasion. (Loud cheering).

General Bryan-Edwards, in reply to the toast with which his name and that of Mr. Travers was coupled, said that he had come to the dinner on the distinct understanding that he should not be called on for a speech, but he was unable to keep his seat after the manner in which Mr. Birch had spoken of himself and of the Corps of Royal Engineers. It was a corps that always turned out good cricketers, and he was very pleased that a young member of the Corps had distinguished himself in this match, especially as that member was a pupil of his own. He had always made it his business when at Chatham to see that Blair got leave to play cricket. He had seen him make his century against some of the best bowlers in England, and he thought he should probably see him do it again. Mr. Blair was as good at his work as at cricket and this was another instance of how work and play went hand in hand. He himself had always done his work as well as he could, and yet he had managed for the last 20 years to give 4 days a week during the season to cricket. He had played in Hongkong many years ago, and though he was not likely to remain so long he would always do his best for cricket and would often think of Hongkong. He was grateful for the way in which his health had been received and he thanked those present and his friend on his left from the bottom of his heart.

THE RISE AND PROGRESS OF "HONGKONG" CRITICISED.

The *London and China Express* waxes humorous over Sir G. W. des Vaux's now famous despatch on "The Rise and Progress of Hongkong." Amongst other things the critic says—

Sir William des Vaux, the Governor of Her Majesty's Colony of Hongkong, is to be congratulated. He eclipses Rider Haggard, and should certainly give up governing and take to descriptive writing. In old days it used to be said that Sir Rutherford Alcock was the best special correspondent of the newspapers. His fluent pen filled many a column of the local Press, and a despatch from Peking usually afforded a theme for at least a dozen leading articles. Sir Rutherford, however, generally wrote upon political subjects; and, if a little lengthy, was at least clear in his arguments and practical in his suggestions. But Sir William des Vaux is positively sublime. It is painful to think that a description so brilliant as that which he gives of Hongkong should be destined to blush for the most part unseen within the cold covers of a blue-book. But as we all know, the destiny of many a work of misplaced genius has been of this kind. Poets whose names will never be known to posterity have sung of Pearl soap; essayists who would throw Macaulay into shade have written of Holloway's opinion—and, alas! that it should be so. Governors who might have rivalled Scott himself in powers of description have been destined, if not to blush unseen, at all events to waste their sweetness on the dexter air of unsympathising and prosaic Colonial Office officials. . . . There is a business-like accuracy in giving the details, as creditable to the Administrator as the foliage interspersed over the mountains is to the descriptive littérateur. But could not Sir William "do" the things separately? Paragraphs 73 to 98 of his despatch would be worth at least a guinea to any of the lighter magazines, and how many guineas' worth of public interest must have been lost in persisting this charming little composition at the Colonial Office. Conceive the dismay of the clerk who had to explain to Lord Knutsford, between the hours of twelve and three, what the last six paragraphs of the despatch contained. But this is beyond the powers of ordinary imagination and we can only hope that in future the versatile Governor of Hongkong will see the desirability of giving his readers if not of himself, of adhering to the less ornate, but on the whole more useful and certainly more succinct style of the *Express*.

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North China Insurance—Tls. 350 per share, buyers.

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Yankee Insurance Association—Tls. 96 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$400 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$90 per share, sellers.

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China and Manilla Steam Ship Company—120 per share, buyers.

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Hongkong Hotel Company—\$300 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Co. Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—124 per cent. dis., buyers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$66 per share, buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$229 per share, sellers and sellers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$70 per share, sellers.

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Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$23 per share, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—28 per cent. premium, sellers.

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Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nom.

The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—\$10, nominal.

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The Hongkong Marina, Limited—25 per cent. premium, nominal.

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Shipping.

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CHIANG CHEW, British steamer, 1,213, F. Webb, 14th Feb.—Singapore 5th Feb., General—Bui Hie Chan.

POSEIDON, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 2,510, L. Leniesch, 14th Feb.—Trieste, Bombay and Singapore, 21st Dec., General—D. Samsom & Co.

GENERAL WEDER, German steamer, 1,820, M. Eichel, 14th Feb.—Yokohama 6th Feb., Kobe 8th, and Nagasaki 10th, Malls and General—Melchers & Co.

AMIGO, German steamer, 771, T. A. Bruh, 14th Feb.—Saigon 7th February, Rice and Paddy—Morris & Co.

PAEKSHAN, British steamer, 867, E. F. Stowell, 14th Feb.—Bangkok 5th Feb., Rice and General—Hing Hong.

CHOW-CHOW-BOO, German steamer, 797, Clausen, 14th Feb.—Saigon 7th Feb., Rice—Melchers & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE
Noticing, British steamer, for Amoy.

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Kids, German steamer, for Medan.

DEPARTURES:

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PARKERS ARRIVED.

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Per General Werder, str., from Yokohama, &c.—Mr. Voigt and Family, Messrs. W. G. Ewan, G. Newman, H. Orth, Haye, 38 Chinese, and 3 Indians.

Per Ciero, str., from Saigon.—Mr. Hitchcock, and 20 Chinese.

Per Johan, str., from Hohlow.—15 Chinese.

Per Changsha, str., from Shanghai.—Mrs. Knowles.

Per Cheng Chew, str., from Singapore.—335 Chinese.

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REPORTS.

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The British steamship Gally of Lorne reports that she left Antwerp and Hamburg, on the 7th December. From Singapore to Cape Padaran had light monsoon. From Cape Padaran to Parcels had strong wind and high cross sea; thence to port had moderate winds and fair weather; anchored at 7 o'clock last night.

The British steamship Ciero reports that she left Saigon on the 8th instant. From Cape St. James to Cape Padaran had light breeze and clear weather. From Cape Padaran to Parcels had strong monsoon and sea. Off Parcels heavy north-east gale. From Parcels to Ladron Island had strong wind and clear weather.

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DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, J. Marquer, 10th Feb.—Manila 7th Feb., General—Draudo & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 1,177, W. W. Allan—Hongkong Government tender.

FEICHING, British steamer, 994, James Price, 10th Feb.—Saigon 5th February, Rice and Paddy—W. Hewett & Co.

FOOKSANG, British steamer, 991, H. W. Hogg, 26th Jan.—Shanghai and Swatow 25th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FORUM, British steamer, 674, T. Hall, 13th Feb.—Tamsui 10th Feb., Amoy 11th, and Swatow 12th, General—D. Lapraik & Co.

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